

ATTENDING

- Mayor Jodi MacKay
- Deputy Mayor Jennifer Ingham
- Councillor Mike Butler
- Councillor Wendy Elliott
- Councillor Ian Palmeter
- Councillor Kelly van Niekerk
- Councillor Howard Williams
- CAO Glenn Horne
- Recording Secretary Laura Morrison

ALSO ATTENDING

- Director of Finance and Corporate Services, Beth Hopkins
- Director of Planning & Economic Development, Devin Lake (*virtual attendance*)
- Director of Public Works and engineering, Alex de Sousa (*virtual attendance*)
- Manager of Communications & Strategic Initiatives, Barb Shaw
- Compliance Coordinator, Kaden Thibault
- Interested members of the community

CALL TO ORDER

Chair, Mayor MacKay called the Town Council Meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Deputy Mayor Ingham read the Land Acknowledgement.

Agenda Item	Discussion and Decisions
1. Approval of Agenda	18-03-25 IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED AS AMENDED. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
2. Declarations of Conflicts of Interest	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• None
3. Approval of Minutes	
a. Town Council Meeting, February 18, 2025	19-03-25 IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OF FEBRUARY 18, 2025 BE APPROVED AS CIRCULATED. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

<p>4. Community Events, Occasions & Acknowledgements</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Month of March celebrated International Women’s Day. Harvest Gallery Women’s Work exhibition until end of the month. • St Patrick’s Day celebrations, thank you to partners to everyone celebrating safely and to Compliance Kaden & Maren. • Cheaton Cup this weekend, any questions or need to contact us see information on website. • Open mics, Trivia nights, Al Whittle has some great offerings, • When in Wolfville put out by WBDC post on Instagram and Facebook for all events coming up. • Wizard of Oz June 1st, tickets on sale. • Harlem Globe Trotters April 29th & 30th in Town. • Tidal, Yoga Life, Breathe - mindfulness and fun activities at these locations. • Acknowledge March 26th as World Epilepsy Day • March 31st is Trans Day of Visibility • April 2nd showing at Al Whittle of Translations created by Shelley Thomson a local resident. All funds raised will be going to the Dawn Fund Foundation created to support the trans community in NS. They are committed to increase supports, hope and joy. Six episodes – shown together. • CFUW (Canadian Federation of University Women) Book Sale this week Friday (9am to 11am) and Saturday (9am to 3pm) at Lions Hall, Elm Ave. • Horton High School showing (NEKEC) Northeast Kings Education Centre production of Little Mermaid on Thursday, Friday and two shows on Saturday. • Ghosts are Dancing directed by Professor Michael Devine of Acadia, showing this weekend and next weekend. • Dale Cavanagh who is from the Town and her husband and other guitar performers, performing in a concert in the chapel on Friday evening.
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<p>5. Public Input</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David Daniels, 3 Toye Lane: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ I asked at the Jan 28 council meeting, is there an actual agreement in place with the developer at 292 Main St. The reply I received through the March 4th CAO report is that there is no formal lease agreement. My question is, is there an informal or verbal lease agreement now? ➤ Has the Town determined the market value of the land currently being used as a lay down area on a temporary basis? ➤ Is the developer paying the town for use of town land? ➤ Recently the size has approximately tripled in size, was council informed that developer was doing this and is there a new agreement that deals with this expansion? ➤ Consolidated Development Agreement states in Section 5.1.9.2(b) – construction of development must meet following timing requirements – exterior of building to be substantially completed and building to be weather -tight no later than Feb 1, 2025. RFD063-2023 states regarding timing concerns that assurances were being requested given the delays in the project to date. Staff have discussed timing with the developer and the proposed timing clauses state...it then goes on. It does not appear the exterior has been substantially completed. Have staff asked why these requirements were not met and were members of council informed about failure of developer to meet this deadline? ➤ Devour sought a Capital Grant of \$100k and 10 years of graduated taxation, what is the status of the second request re graduated taxation. ➤ Council strategic plan – will public be allowed to attend all strategic planning session when council meets with exceptions noted in section 22 of MGA. ➤ Concern that Town policy #110-010 is not being followed and feels many questions asked by him could be answered immediately. CAO informed the approach that has been taken since this council was elected is that questions posed during public input are taken back so as much a fulsome
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	answer as possible as can be provided in writing at the next COW meeting through CAO report.
6. Motions from Committee of the Whole Meeting of March 4, 2025.	
a. RFD 004-2025: Draft Equity & Anti-Racism Plan	20-03-25 IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT COUNCIL ADOPT AND IMPLEMENT WOLFVILLE'S FIRST EQUITY AND ANTI-RACISM PLAN. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
b. RFD 005-2025: Draft Accessibility Plan	21-03-25 IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT COUNCIL APPROVE AND ADOPT THE ACCESSIBILITY PLAN 2025-2028 AS PRESENTED. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
c. RFD 007-2025: VWRM 2025/26 Budget	22-03-25 IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE VALLEY WASTE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY'S 2025/26 OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGET. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
d. RFD 008-2025: Council Strategic Planning	23-03-25 IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT COUNCIL DIRECT THE CAO TO PROCURE A QUALIFIED CONSULTANT TO FACILITATE A STRATEGIC PLANNING PROCESS THAT WILL DETERMINE AND ARTICULATE THE PRIORITIES AND FOR THE DURATION OF THIS COUNCIL TERM. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
7. Motions from Special Committee of the Whole Meeting of March 11, 2025	
a. RFD 009-2025: One-Time Capital Funding Request – Wolfville Legion	24-03-25 IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT COUNCIL CONSIDER IN THE 2025/26 BUDGET PROCESS A \$40,000 ONE-TIME CAPITAL GRANT CONTRIBUTION TO THE WOLFVILLE LEGION BRANCH #74 TO SUPPORT FURTHER UPGRADES TO THEIR FACILITY. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
b. RFD 010-2025: One-Time Operational Funding Request –	25-03-25 IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT COUNCIL GIVE FURTHER CONSIDERATION IN THE 2025/26 BUDGET PROCESS TO A \$2,500 ONE-TIME OPERATIONAL GRANT CONTRIBUTION TO HORTON HIGH SCHOOL FRANCHISE TO SUPPORT

Horton High School	THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH "EXPERIENCES CANADA EXCHANGE 2025." CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
8. Adjournment of Regular Meeting	26-03-25 IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE REGULAR MEETING ADJOURN AT 6:49PM

Approved by Council Motion 26-04-25, April 2025

As recorded by Laura Morrison, Town Clerk and Manager of Administration